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# PERSONAL HISTORY STATEMENT

- Instructions: 1. Answer all questions completely. If question does not apply write "not applicable." Write "unknown" only if you do not know the answer and cannot obtain the answer from personal records. Use the blank pages at the end of this form for extra details on any question or questions for which you do not have sufficient room.
2. Type, print or write carefully; illegible or incomplete forms will not receive consideration.

HAVE YOU READ AND DO YOU UNDERSTAND THE INSTRUCTIONS? Yes or No

## SEC. 1. PERSONAL BACKGROUND

Telephone: Office: EX 6115  
615  
Home: \_\_\_\_\_

A. FULL NAME Miss Sherman (NMI) KENT  
 (Use No Initials) Mr. \_\_\_\_\_ First Middle Last  
 EXT. \_\_\_\_\_

PRESENT ADDRESS c/o James C. Cooley, 2429 Chain Bridge Rd., Wash., D.C.  
St. & No. City State Country

PERMANENT ADDRESS c/o Yale University, New Haven, Connecticut  
St. & No. City State Country

B. NICKNAME "Sherm" "Shermo" WHAT OTHER NAMES HAVE YOU USED? None  
"Buffalo"

UNDER WHAT CIRCUMSTANCES HAVE YOU EVER USED THESE NAMES? \_\_\_\_\_

HOW LONG? \_\_\_\_\_ IF A LEGAL CHANGE, GIVE PARTICULARS \_\_\_\_\_

CG C. DATE OF BIRTH 1 Dec 1903 PLACE OF BIRTH Chicago, Illinois USA  
City State Country

D. PRESENT CITIZENSHIP U.S. BY BIRTH? Yes BY MARRIAGE? \_\_\_\_\_  
Country

BY NATURALIZATION CERTIFICATE # \_\_\_\_\_ ISSUED \_\_\_\_\_ BY \_\_\_\_\_  
Date Court

AT \_\_\_\_\_  
City State Country

HAVE YOU HAD A PREVIOUS NATIONALITY? No  
Yes or No Country

HELD BETWEEN WHAT DATES? \_\_\_\_\_ TO \_\_\_\_\_ ANY OTHER NATIONALITY? \_\_\_\_\_  
Country

GIVE PARTICULARS \_\_\_\_\_

HAVE YOU TAKEN STEPS TO CHANGE PRESENT CITIZENSHIP? \_\_\_\_\_ GIVE PARTICULARS: \_\_\_\_\_

E. IF BORN OUTSIDE U.S. WHEN DID YOU FIRST ARRIVE IN THIS COUNTRY? \_\_\_\_\_

PORT OF ENTRY? \_\_\_\_\_ ON PASSPORT OF WHAT COUNTRY? \_\_\_\_\_

LAST U.S. VISA \_\_\_\_\_  
Number Type Place of Issue Date of Issue

## SEC. 2. PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

AGE 46 SEX Male HEIGHT 5' 10 1/2" WEIGHT 170

EYES grey HAIR greying COMPLEXION fair SCARS appendix

BUILD medium OTHER DISTINGUISHING FEATURES broken nose

## SEC. 3. MARITAL STATUS

A. SINGLE \_\_\_\_\_ MARRIED X DIVORCED \_\_\_\_\_ WIDOWED \_\_\_\_\_

STATE DATE, PLACE, AND REASON FOR SEPARATION, DIVORCE OR ANNULMENT \_\_\_\_\_

B. WIFE OR HUSBAND (IF YOU HAVE BEEN MARRIED MORE THAN ONCE—INCLUDE ANNULMENTS—USE A SEPARATE SHEET FOR FORMER WIFE OR HUSBAND GIVING DATA REQUIRED BELOW FOR ALL PREVIOUS MARRIAGES.)

NAME OF SPOUSE Elizabeth McLean Gregory Kent  
First Middle Maiden Last

PLACE AND DATE OF MARRIAGE San Francisco, California 20 Dec. 1934

HIS (OR HER) ADDRESS BEFORE MARRIAGE 1030 Vallejo St., San Francisco, Cal.  
St. & No. City State Country

LIVING OR DECEASED Living DATE OF DECEASE \_\_\_\_\_ CAUSE \_\_\_\_\_

PRESENT, OR LAST, ADDRESS 205 Livingston St., New Haven, Conn.  
St. & No. City State Country

DATE OF BIRTH 28 Apr 1902 PLACE OF BIRTH San Jose, California, USA  
City State Country

IF BORN OUTSIDE U.S. INDICATE DATE AND PLACE OF ENTRY \_\_\_\_\_

CITIZENSHIP \_\_\_\_\_ WHEN ACQUIRED? \_\_\_\_\_ WHERE? \_\_\_\_\_  
City State Country

OCCUPATION Housewife LAST EMPLOYER \_\_\_\_\_

EMPLOYER'S OR BUSINESS ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
St. & No. City State Country

MILITARY SERVICE FROM \_\_\_\_\_ TO \_\_\_\_\_ BRANCH OF SERVICE \_\_\_\_\_  
Date Date

COUNTRY \_\_\_\_\_ DETAILS OF OTHER GOV'T. SERVICE, U.S. OR FOREIGN \_\_\_\_\_



United States Department of Justice  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington 25, D. C.

IN REPLY, PLEASE REFER TO  
FILE NO. 118-8710

Date: December 4, 1950  
To: SAC, Washington Field  
From: J. Edgar Hoover, Director  
Subject: SHERMAN KENT, aka "Sherm", "Shermon", "Buffalo"  
APPLICANT  
CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

AIR MAIL, SPECIAL DELIVERY

You are requested to conduct an investigation of the above named individual. The instructions contained in Section 103, Volume 3 of the Manual of Instructions and Chapter 78, Part 3 of the FBI Handbook should be observed in connection with this investigation. This case is to be assigned immediately and reports of the complete investigation must be submitted Air Mail, Special Delivery, where proper, by December 18, 1950.

Address: c/o James C. Cooley, 2429 Chain Bridge Rd.  
Washington, D. C.  
Birth date: Dec. 1, 1903  
Birthplace: Chicago, Ill.

WASHINGTON FIELD

CIA conducted all agency checks on November 14, 1950.

CIA has advised that information is contained in the State Department file that applicant had been in touch with Maurice Halperin after Halperin was removed from the State Department. Review this file for pertinent and additional data or leads.

Applicant is mentioned in the MI Summaries of 4-5-46, 4-15-46, 4-24-46, 5-15-46, 5-16-46, 5-20-46 and 6-15-46.

Refer to your file 65-5402 and your letter to the Bureau dated 3-14-50, wherein Dr. Sherman Kent is mentioned on page 2 as a reference of Stephen Peters.

Refer to your file 100-17493 wherein applicant is mentioned on pages 38, 39 and 45 of the report of SA Lambert G. Zander, 5-2-46, WFO; page 25, report of SA Zander, 5-17-46; pages 33 and 42, report of SA Zander, 6-5-46; pages 39, 42, 46, 47 and 49, report of SA Zander, 6-17-46; page 44, report of SA Zander, 7-8-46 and pages 64 and 65, report of SA Floyd L. Jones, 12-13-45, WFO.

Enclosure

cc - New Haven (AMSD)(ENC)  
Chicago (AMSD)(ENC)  
San Francisco (AMSD)(ENC)  
Los Angeles (AMSD)(ENC)

New York (SD)(ENC)  
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SAC, Washington Field

ALL DETAILS

Kent has been a full employee of CIA since 11-20-50.

It is most imperative that the deadline be met.

Utilize mature and experienced Agents to conduct this investigation.

Applicant is the author of "Strategic Intelligence For American World Policy," Princeton University Press, Princeton, N. J., 1947, and the article, "How Effective Is Our Intelligence," in the 9-12-50 issue of The Reporter magazine.

CIA has advised that applicant submitted the following as an appendix to his Personal History Statement:

"Shortly after the outbreak of World War II, I was named Chairman of the Faculty Committee of the Yale Collection of War Literature. My main job at the time was Assistant Professor of History at Yale.

"One of the aspects of the collection of war literature I was anxious to develop was the literature of all sorts of "crank" opinion. With an assistant or two, I spent a good deal of time trying to identify "crank" organizations which had taken up any number of extreme positions with respect to the war, and to get the Collection on their mailing list. There are, therefore, almost certainly letters on Yale Library stationery signed by me in the files of some of the organizations listed by the Attorney General. I remember particularly the Kyffhaeuser League. It is highly probable but not impossible that the Collection was asked to pay for subscriptions to some of these serial publications. It is possible that I myself may have paid small subscription fees at times when the Library was short of funds.

"I wish to assert, however, that any connection which may be established between me and any of the organizations on this list is to be explained by the above and is not because of any personal feelings of affiliation. Furthermore, any direct connection which may be established would date so before between the outbreak of war in September 1939 and the time when I entered government service with the Office of Coordinator of Information in September 1941."

SEC. 4. CHILDREN OR DEPENDENTS (Include partial dependents)

1. NAME [REDACTED] RELATIONSHIP daughter AGE 12  
 CITIZENSHIP U.S. ADDRESS 205 Livingston St., New Haven, Conn.  
 St. & No. City State Country  
 2. NAME [REDACTED] RELATIONSHIP son AGE 9  
 CITIZENSHIP U.S. ADDRESS 205 Livingston St., New Haven, Conn.  
 St. & No. City State Country  
 3. NAME                      RELATIONSHIP                      AGE                       
 CITIZENSHIP                      ADDRESS                       
 St. & No. City State Country

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SEC. 5. FATHER (Give the same information for stepfather and/or guardian on a separate sheet)

FULL NAME William (NMI) Kent  
 First Middle Last  
 LIVING OR DECEASED deceased DATE OF DECEASE 15 Mar 1928 CAUSE pneumonia  
 PRESENT, OR, LAST, ADDRESS Kentfield California USA  
 St. & No. City State Country  
 DATE OF BIRTH 15 Mar 1864 PLACE OF BIRTH Evanston, Illinois USA  
 City State Country  
 IF BORN OUTSIDE U.S. INDICATE DATE AND PLACE OF ENTRY                       
 CITIZENSHIP U.S. WHEN ACQUIRED? Birth WHERE?                       
 Business Cattle City State Country  
 OCCUPATION Member of Congress LAST EMPLOYER U.S. Government as Member of  
Congress  
 EMPLOYER'S OR OWN BUSINESS ADDRESS                       
 St. & No. City State Country  
 MILITARY SERVICE FROM                      TO                      BRANCH OF SERVICE                       
 Date Date  
 COUNTRY                      DETAILS OF OTHER GOV'T SERVICE, U.S. OR FOREIGN.                     

SEC. 6. MOTHER (Give the same information for stepmother on a separate sheet)

FULL NAME Elizabeth (NMI) Thacher  
 First Middle Last  
 LIVING OR DECEASED Living DATE OF DECEASE                      CAUSE                       
 PRESENT, OR LAST, ADDRESS Kentfield, California  
 St. & No. City State Country  
 DATE OF BIRTH 15 Sept 1868 PLACE OF BIRTH New Haven, Conn., USA  
 City State Country  
 CITIZENSHIP U.S. WHEN ACQUIRED? Birth WHERE?                       
 City State Country  
 IF BORN OUTSIDE U.S. INDICATE DATE AND PLACE OF ENTRY                     

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OCCUPATION Housewife LAST EMPLOYER \_\_\_\_\_  
 EMPLOYER'S OR OWN BUSINESS ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
 St. & No. City State Country  
 MILITARY SERVICE FROM \_\_\_\_\_ TO \_\_\_\_\_ BRANCH OF SERVICE \_\_\_\_\_  
 COUNTRY \_\_\_\_\_ DETAILS OF OTHER GOV'T SERVICE, U.S. OR FOREIGN.  
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# SEC. 7. BROTHERS AND SISTERS (Including half-, step-, and adopted brothers and sisters)

1. FULL NAME Albert Emmet Kent AGE deceased  
 First Middle Last  
 PRESENT ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ U.S.  
 St. & No. City State Country Citizenship  
 2. FULL NAME Thomas Thacher Kent AGE 58  
 First Middle Last  
 PRESENT ADDRESS Kentfield California U.S.  
 St. & No. City State Country Citizenship  
 3. FULL NAME Elizabeth Sherman Kent Arnold AGE 56  
 First Middle Last  
 PRESENT ADDRESS Kentfield California U.S.  
 St. & No. City State Country Citizenship  
 4. FULL NAME William Kent, Jr. AGE 55  
 First Middle Last  
 PRESENT ADDRESS Russ Building, San Francisco, California U.S.  
 St. & No. City State Country Citizenship  
 5. FULL NAME Adaline Dutton Kent Howard AGE 50  
 First Middle Last  
 PRESENT ADDRESS 2500 Leavenworth Street, San Francisco, Cal. U.S.  
 St. & No. City State Country Citizenship  
 6. ....Roger Kent....Age 44; address: Kentfield, California

# SEC. 8. FATHER-IN-LAW

FULL NAME Warren (NMI) Gregory  
 First Middle Last  
 LIVING OR DECEASED deceased DATE OF DECEASE \_\_\_\_\_ CAUSE ?  
 PRESENT, OR LAST, ADDRESS c/o Chickering & Gregory, San Francisco, Cal.  
 St. & No. City State Country  
 DATE OF BIRTH 1864 PLACE OF BIRTH California  
 IF BORN OUTSIDE U.S. INDICATE DATE AND PLACE OF ENTRY \_\_\_\_\_

CITIZENSHIP U.S. WHEN ACQUIRED? Birth WHERE? \_\_\_\_\_  
 City State Country  
 OCCUPATION \_\_\_\_\_ LAST EMPLOYER \_\_\_\_\_

**SEC. 9. MOTHER-IN-LAW**

FULL NAME Sarah McLean Hardy Gregory  
First Middle Last  
 LIVING OR DECEASED Living DATE OF DECEASE            CAUSE             
 PRESENT, OR LAST, ADDRESS 1 Presidio Avenue, San Francisco, California  
St. & No. City State Country  
 DATE OF BIRTH ± 1874 PLACE OF BIRTH California  
 IF BORN OUTSIDE U.S. INDICATE DATE AND PLACE OF ENTRY             
 CITIZENSHIP U.S. WHEN ACQUIRED? Birth WHERE?             
City State Country  
 OCCUPATION Housewife LAST EMPLOYER           

**SEC. 10. RELATIVES BY BLOOD, MARRIAGE OR ADOPTION, WHO EITHER LIVE ABROAD OR WHO ARE NOT CITIZENS OF THE UNITED STATES:**

1. NAME not applicable RELATIONSHIP            AGE             
 CITIZENSHIP            ADDRESS             
St. & No. City State Country  
 2. NAME not applicable RELATIONSHIP            AGE             
 CITIZENSHIP            ADDRESS             
St. & No. City State Country  
 3. NAME not applicable RELATIONSHIP            AGE             
 CITIZENSHIP            ADDRESS             
St. & No. City State Country

**SEC. 11. RELATIVES BY BLOOD OR MARRIAGE IN THE MILITARY OR CIVIL SERVICE OF THE U.S. OR OF A FOREIGN GOVERNMENT.**

1. NAME Elizabeth Arnold Whitmore RELATIONSHIP niece AGE 35  
 CITIZENSHIP U.S. ADDRESS 6415 MacArthur Blvd., Washington, D.C.  
St. & No. City State  
 TYPE AND LOCATION OF SERVICE (IF KNOWN) U.S. Navy  
 2. NAME            RELATIONSHIP            AGE             
 CITIZENSHIP            ADDRESS             
St. & No. City State  
 TYPE AND LOCATION OF SERVICE (IF KNOWN)             
 3. NAME            RELATIONSHIP            AGE             
 CITIZENSHIP            ADDRESS             
St. & No. City State  
 TYPE AND LOCATION OF SERVICE (IF KNOWN)

## SEC. 12. EDUCATION

1) Kentfield (Public School) Kentfield, California  
 2) Friends School Washington, D.C.

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
City State Country

DATES ATTENDED 1) 1911  
2) 1911 - 1919 GRADUATE? \_\_\_\_\_

HIGH SCHOOL Thacher School ADDRESS Ojai, California  
City State Country

DATES ATTENDED 1919 - 1922 GRADUATE? Yes

COLLEGE Yale University ADDRESS New Haven, Connecticut  
City State Country

DATES ATTENDED 1922 - 1926 DEGREE PhB 1926

COLLEGE Yale University ADDRESS New Haven, Connecticut  
City State Country

DATES ATTENDED 1926-1928 1930 - 1933 DEGREE Ph D

## SEC. 13. MILITARY, NAVAL OR OTHER GOV'T SERVICE—U.S. OR FOREIGN

Country	Service	Rank	Dates of Service
Last Station	Serial No.	Type of Discharge	

REMARKS: \_\_\_\_\_

SELECTIVE SERVICE BOARD NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_ ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

IF DEFERRED GIVE REASON \_\_\_\_\_

## SEC. 14. CHRONOLOGICAL HISTORY OF EMPLOYMENT FOR PAST 15 YEARS. ACCOUNT FOR ALL PERIODS. INCLUDE CASUAL EMPLOYMENT. INCLUDE ALSO PERIODS OF UNEMPLOYMENT. GIVE ADDRESSES AND STATE WHAT YOU DID DURING PERIODS OF UNEMPLOYMENT. LIST LAST POSITION FIRST.

FROM 1935 TO 1941 (August)EMPLOYING FIRM OR AGENCY Yale UniversityADDRESS New Haven Connecticut

St. & No. City State Country

KIND OF BUSINESS Teaching NAME OF SUPERVISOR John M.S. Allison

TITLE OF JOB Instructor, Asst. Professor SALARY \$1800-\$3500 PER annumYOUR DUTIES Teaching and historical research~~REASONS FOR LEAVING~~ To join Office of Coordinator of InformationU.S. GovernmentFROM 1941 TO June 1946EMPLOYING FIRM OR AGENCY U.S. Government/COI & OSS & Department of State

WFO ADDRESS 25th and E Streets, N.W., Washington, D.C.

KIND OF BUSINESS Intelligence NAME OF SUPERVISOR William L. Langer  
Chief, African Section

TITLE OF JOB Chief, Europe-Africa Division SALARY \$ 8000 PER annum

YOUR DUTIES Administration of a research and intelligence staff

REASONS FOR LEAVING Meaningful part of the job evaporated in a Department of State reorganization.

FROM Sept 1946 TO 1 January 1947

EMPLOYING FIRM OR AGENCY National War College, U.S. Government

WFO ADDRESS 4th and P Streets, S.W., Washington, D.C.

KIND OF BUSINESS Teaching NAME OF SUPERVISOR Vice Adm. Harry W. Hill, USN

TITLE OF JOB Member-Resident Civilian Staff SALARY \$ 9975 PER annum

YOUR DUTIES Teaching

REASONS FOR LEAVING Term of employment ended.

FROM 1 Jan 1947 TO Sept 1947

EMPLOYING FIRM OR AGENCY Guggenheim Foundation

NY ADDRESS Fifth Avenue, New York, New York

KIND OF BUSINESS Writing NAME OF SUPERVISOR -

TITLE OF JOB Guggenheim Fellow SALARY \$ 2500 PER 9 months

YOUR DUTIES Writing the book: "Strategic Intelligence", published by Princeton Press, 1948.

REASONS FOR LEAVING Job finished

FROM Sept 1947 TO November 1950

EMPLOYING FIRM OR AGENCY Yale University

NH ADDRESS New Haven, Connecticut

KIND OF BUSINESS Teaching NAME OF SUPERVISOR William H. Dunham

TITLE OF JOB Professor- History SALARY \$ 8500 PER annum

YOUR DUTIES Teaching and research

REASONS FOR LEAVING Temporary duty at CIA

SEC. 15. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN DISCHARGED OR ASKED TO RESIGN FROM ANY POSITION? HAVE YOU LEFT A POSITION UNDER CIRCUMSTANCES WHICH YOU DESIRE TO EXPLAIN? GIVE DETAILS:

No

SEC. 16. GIVE FIVE CHARACTER REFERENCES — IN THE U.S. — WHO KNOW YOU INTIMATELY — (GIVE RESIDENCE AND BUSINESS ADDRESSES WHERE POSSIBLE.)

		Street and Number	City	State
WFO	1. Lt. Gen. Alfred M. Gruenther, USA	Pentagon Building	Washington	D.C.
	BUS. ADD.			
	RES. ADD.			
SF	2. Phelps S. Hunter	Russ Bldg.	San Francisco	California
	BUS. ADD.			
	RES. ADD.			
NH	3. A. Whitney Griswold	Yale University	New Haven	Conn.
	BUS. ADD.			
	RES. ADD.			
NH	4. William H. Dunham	Yale University	New Haven	Conn.
	BUS. ADD.			
	RES. ADD.			
BA	5. Vice Adm. Harry W. Hill	Naval Academy	Annapolis	Maryland
	BUS. ADD.			
	RES. ADD.			

SEC. 17. NAMES OF FIVE PERSONS WHO KNOW YOU SOCIALLY IN THE UNITED STATES — NOT REFERENCES, SUPERVISORS OR EMPLOYERS — (Give residence and business addresses where possible.)

		Street and Number	City	State
NH	1. S. B. Hemingway	Lincoln St.	New Haven	Conn
	BUS. ADD.			
	RES. ADD.			
NH	2. Morris Tyler	Trust Co. Bldg.	New Haven	Conn
	BUS. ADD.	Woodbridge	Connecticut	
	RES. ADD.			
NH	3. Arthur L. Shipman	c/o Shipman & Goodwin	Hartford	Conn.
	BUS. ADD.			
	RES. ADD.			
WFO	4. James C. Cooley III	General Counsel, ECA	Washington	D.C.
	BUS. ADD.	2429 Chain Bridge Rd.	Washington	D.C.
	RES. ADD.			
NK	5. George Kennan	Princeton	New Jersey	
	BUS. ADD.	c/o Institute for Advanced Study		
	RES. ADD.			

SEC. 18. GIVE THREE NEIGHBORS AT YOUR LAST NORMAL RESIDENCE IN THE U.S. — (Give residence and business addresses where possible.)

	Street and Number	City	State
NH 1. Mr. James Valenti	BUS. ADD. _____ RES. ADD. 199 Livingston St., New Haven, Conn.		
NH 2. Dr. Luther Musselman	BUS. ADD. 215 Whitney Avenue, New Haven, Conn. RES. ADD. 190 Livingston St., New Haven, Conn.		
NH 3. Prof. George Dahl	BUS. ADD. _____ RES. ADD. 207 Livingston St., New Haven, Conn.		

SEC. 19. FINANCIAL BACKGROUND

- A. ARE YOU ENTIRELY DEPENDENT ON YOUR SALARY? No IF NOT, STATE SOURCES OF OTHER INCOME Assets inherited from my father
- B. NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF BANKS WITH WHICH YOU HAVE ACCOUNTS Crocker First National Bank, San Francisco, Cal. Union & New Haven Trust Co., New Haven, Ct.
- C. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN IN, OR PETITIONED FOR, BANKRUPTCY? No  
GIVE PARTICULARS, INCLUDING COURT: \_\_\_\_\_
- D. GIVE THREE CREDIT REFERENCES — IN THE U.S.
- |         |                  |         |  |
|---------|------------------|---------|--|
| 1. NAME | Phelps S. Hunter | ADDRESS | Russ Bldg., San Francisco, Cal.  |
| 2. NAME | E. M. Gaillard   | ADDRESS | <u>St. &amp; No.</u> Union & New Haven <u>City</u> Trust Co., <u>State</u> New Haven |
| 3. NAME | Jacobi Press     | ADDRESS | <u>St. &amp; No.</u> York Street, New Haven, <u>City</u> Conn. <u>State</u>          |

SEC. 20. RESIDENCES FOR THE PAST 15 YEARS

FROM	TO	St. No.	City	State	Country
NH FROM 1934	TO 1938 (?)		St. Ronan Apts., St. Ronan St., New Haven, Conn.		
NH FROM 1938	TO 1941		204 Prospect St., New Haven, Conn.		
WFO FROM 1941	TO 1945		1320 (?) 30th St., N.W. Washington, D.C.		
WFO FROM 1945	TO 1946		? 44th Place, Washington, D.C.		
NH FROM 1946	TO 1947		3446 Forest Lane, N.W., New Haven, Conn.		
NH FROM 1947	TO date		205 Livingston St., New Haven, Conn.		
FROM	TO				
FROM	TO				

SEC. 21. RESIDENCE OR TRAVEL OUTSIDE OF THE UNITED STATES

FROM	TO	City or Section	Country	Purpose
A. FROM 1932	TO 1933	Paris, France		Study
FROM Oct. 1943	TO Feb. 1944	North Africa, Italy, UK		OSS
FROM	TO			

FROM _____	TO _____	City or Section _____	Country _____	Purpose _____
FROM _____	TO _____	City or Section _____	Country _____	Purpose _____
FROM _____	TO _____	City or Section _____	Country _____	Purpose _____

B. LAST U.S. PASSPORT—NUMBER, DATE, AND PLACE OF ISSUE: Washington, D.C.  
1943 - Taken up at re-entrance into U.S. by government officials, Feb. 1944.

HOW MANY OTHER U.S. PASSPORTS HAVE YOU HAD? Four GIVE APPROXIMATE

DATES: 1923, 1926, 1929, and 1932

PASSPORTS OF OTHER NATIONS: None

## SEC. 22. CLUBS, SOCIETIES AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

LIST NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF ALL CLUBS, SOCIETIES, PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES, EMPLOYEE GROUPS, ORGANIZATIONS OF ANY KIND (INCLUDE MEMBERSHIP IN, OR SUPPORT OF, ANY ORGANIZATION HAVING HEADQUARTERS OR BRANCH IN A FOREIGN COUNTRY) TO WHICH YOU BELONG OR HAVE BELONGED:

1. New Haven Lawn Club Whitney Avenue New Haven Conn.  

Name and Chapter	St. & No.	City	State	Country
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 DATES OF MEMBERSHIP: 1935 (?) to date
2. Lagunitas Country Club Ross California  

Name and Chapter	St. & No.	City	State	Country
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 DATES OF MEMBERSHIP: 1920 (?) to date
3. New Haven Rotary Club New Haven Conn.  

Name and Chapter	St. & No.	City	State	Country
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 DATES OF MEMBERSHIP: 1949 to date
4. Americans for Democratic Action Connecticut Chapter  

Name and Chapter	St. & No.	City	State	Country
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 DATES OF MEMBERSHIP: 1948 (?) to date
5. Elizabethan Club 123 College Street, New Haven, Conn.  

Name and Chapter	St. & No.	City	State	Country
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 DATES OF MEMBERSHIP: 1928 (?) to date
6. D.K.E. Phi Chapter York Street New Haven, Conn.  

Name and Chapter	St. & No.	City	State	Country
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 DATES OF MEMBERSHIP: 1925 (inactive since 1926)
7. \_\_\_\_\_  

Name and Chapter	St. & No.	City	State	Country
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 DATES OF MEMBERSHIP: \_\_\_\_\_

SEC. 23. GENERAL QUALIFICATIONS

A. FOREIGN LANGUAGES (STATE DEGREE OR PROFICIENCY AS "SLIGHT" "FAIR" OR "FLUENT")

LANGUAGE	<u>French</u>	SPEAK	<u>Fair</u>	READ	<u>Fluent</u>	WRITE	<u>Fair</u>
LANGUAGE	<u>German</u>	SPEAK	<u>Slight</u>	READ	<u>Fair</u>	WRITE	<u>Slight</u>
LANGUAGE	<u>Italian</u>	SPEAK	<u>Slight</u>	READ	<u>Fair</u>	WRITE	<u>Slight</u>
	<u>Spanish</u>		<u>Slight</u>		<u>Fair</u>		<u>Slight</u>

B. LIST ALL SPORTS AND HOBBIES WHICH INTEREST YOU: INDICATE DEGREE OF PROFICIENCY IN EACH:

Tennis (poor), Gardening, Cooking, Carpentry (Fair to Good proficiency)

C. HAVE YOU ANY QUALIFICATIONS, AS A RESULT OF TRAINING OR EXPERIENCE, WHICH MIGHT FIT YOU FOR A PARTICULAR POSITION?

Ph D in modern history; almost six years in strategic level of intelligence.

D. LIST BELOW THE NAMES OF GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS, AGENCIES OR OFFICES TO WHICH YOU HAVE APPLIED FOR EMPLOYMENT SINCE 1939:

None. I was recruited for COI/OSS in August or September 1941;

recruited by National War College in 1946; and was appointed Consultant

(temporary) for CIA in 1948.

E. IF, TO YOUR KNOWLEDGE, ANY OF THE ABOVE HAS CONDUCTED AN INVESTIGATION OF YOU, INDICATE BELOW THE NAME OF THAT AGENCY AND THE APPROXIMATE DATE OF THE INVESTIGATION:

I should imagine that both OSS and CIA have investigated me.

I would hope so.



## SEC. 24. MISCELLANEOUS

- A. DO YOU ADVOCATE OR HAVE YOU EVER ADVOCATED; OR ARE YOU NOW OR HAVE YOU EVER BEEN A MEMBER OR, OR HAVE YOU SUPPORTED ANY POLITICAL PARTY OR ORGANIZATION WHICH ADVOCATES THE OVERTHROW OF OUR CONSTITUTIONAL FORM OF GOVERNMENT IN THE UNITED STATES?

IF "YES", EXPLAIN: No

- B. DO YOU USE, OR HAVE YOU USED, INTOXICANTS? Yes IF SO, TO WHAT EXTENT? In moderation

- C. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN ARRESTED, INDICTED OR CONVICTED FOR ANY VIOLATION OF LAW OTHER THAN A MINOR TRAFFIC VIOLATION? IF SO, STATE NAME OF COURT, CITY, STATE, COUNTRY, NATURE OF OFFENSE AND DISPOSITION OF CASE: \_\_\_\_\_

No

- D. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN COURT-MARTIALED WHILE A MEMBER OF THE ARMED FORCES? IF ANSWER IS "YES," GIVE DETAILS BELOW:

No

## SEC. 25. PERSON TO BE NOTIFIED IN CASE OF EMERGENCY:

NAME Elizabeth G. Kent RELATIONSHIP Wife  
 ADDRESS 205 Livingston Street, New Haven, Connecticut  
 Telephone: St. & No. New Haven 5-3063 City State Country

## SEC. 26. YOU ARE INFORMED THAT THE CORRECTNESS OF ALL STATEMENTS MADE HEREIN WILL BE INVESTIGATED.

ARE THERE ANY UNFAVORABLE INCIDENTS IN YOUR LIFE NOT MENTIONED ABOVE WHICH MAY BE DISCOVERED IN SUBSEQUENT INVESTIGATION, WHETHER YOU WERE DIRECTLY INVOLVED OR NOT, WHICH MIGHT REQUIRE EXPLANATION? IF SO, DESCRIBE. IF NOT, ANSWER "NO."

NO

SEC. 27. I CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING ANSWERS ARE TRUE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF, AND I AGREE THAT ANY MISSTATEMENT OR OMISSION AS TO A MATERIAL FACT WILL CONSTITUTE GROUNDS FOR IMMEDIATE DISMISSAL OR REJECTION OF MY APPLICATION.

SIGNED AT Washington DC DATE 15 Nov 1950  
City and State  
Barbara Jane Ewen Sherman Kent  
Witness Signature of Applicant

USE THE FOLLOWING PAGES FOR EXTRA DETAILS. NUMBER ACCORDING TO THE NUMBER OF THE QUESTION TO WHICH THEY RELATE. SIGN YOUR NAME AT THE END OF THE ADDED MATERIAL. IF ADDITIONAL SPACE IS REQUIRED USE EXTRA PAGES THE SAME SIZE AS THESE AND SIGN EACH SUCH PAGE.

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Section 20: Street numbers of last two Washington residences may not be provable by reference to appropriate Washington telephone directories. The 44th Place residence may be listed under the name of Kermit Roosevelt and the Forest Lane residence under the name of John Pope.

Sherman Kent

SAC, Washington Field

December 8, 1950

Director, FBI

SHERMAN KENT  
APPLICANT - CIA

Rebulet dated December 4, 1950.

For your information a representative of CIA advised the Bureau that applicant had called at the Security Office of CIA to advise that his wife had continuously expressed herself at social gatherings "about the foreign policy of the United States, not being right."

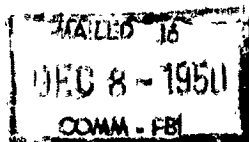
According to the CIA spokesman, Kent indicated that his wife belonged to no organizations and had made no derogatory speeches denoting disloyalty; however, she may possibly have made contributions to organizations whose beliefs were not favorable to the United States Government. The CIA representative had no information regarding the identity of such organizations.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. A. H. BELMONT *ABZ*

DATE: November 27, 1950

FROM : V. P. KEAY

SUBJECT: SHERMAN KENT  
APPLICANT - CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

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*Ltr to interested offices 12-8-50 fwd*

[redacted] CIA, called by the Liaison Section on November 22, 1950, to advise that the captioned individual, an applicant with CIA, had called at the Security Office to advise that his wife had continually expressed herself at social gatherings "about the foreign policy of the United States not being right." Kent indicated his wife belonged to no organizations and had made no derogatory speeches denoting disloyalty; however, she may possibly have made contributions to organizations whose beliefs were not favorable to the U.S. Government. Broadley had no information regarding the identity of such organizations.

b3 per CIA

[redacted] requested that the applicant investigation be handled on an expeditious basis in view of the above information and also in view of the fact that CIA needed Kent's services desperately at this time.

ACTION:

It is suggested that this memorandum be forwarded to the Investigative Division for the attention of Supervisor Shanklin.

*Letter to offices 12-8-50 fwd*

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FILE NO. 118-1548

REPORT MADE AT <b>CHICAGO, ILLINOIS</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>12/12/50</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>12/11/50</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>JOSEPH B. KILLGORE</b>	<b>JBK:DJS</b>
TITLE <b>SHERMAN KENT, Aka, "Sherm", "Shermo", "Buffalo"</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>APPLICANT CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY</b>	

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Birth records reflect that SHERMAN KENT was born December 1, 1903, in Chicago, Illinois.

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REFERENCE:

Bufile 118-8710  
Bulet to Washington Field dated December 4, 1950

DETAILS:

AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

The records of the Cook County Bureau of Vital Statistics, 128 North Wells Street, in Book 23, Page 291, reflect the birth of SHERMAN KENT at 5112 Kimbark Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, on December 1, 1903. The father was listed as WILLIAM KENT, born in Chicago, and the mother was listed as ELIZABETH THACHER, born in Connecticut.

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AGENCY 100-4-2  
REQ. REC'D 2-15-55  
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REPORT MADE AT <b>BALTIMORE, MARYLAND</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>12/14/50</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>12/11/50</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>ROY D. CROMWELL /bv</b>
TITLE <b>SHERMAN KENT, aka "Sherm," "Shermo," "Buffalo"</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>APPLICANT CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY</b>

## SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

*2-14-51  
C. H. Carson*  
Vice Admiral HARRY W. HILL, U.S. Naval Academy, Annapolis, Maryland, a reference, acquainted with applicant since 1946, favorably recommends.

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BY mda - jrm*

REFERENCE: Bureau letter to Washington Field dated 12/4/50.

Bureau letter to Washington Field dated 12/8/50.

DETAILS: AT ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND

## Reference:

Vice Admiral HARRY W. HILL, Commanding Officer, United States Naval Academy, advised that he had first become acquainted with the applicant around 1946 when he had recruited the applicant to teach at the National War College, Washington, D.C. for a period of four months in the fall of that year. He advised that while applicant was employed at the War College he became quite friendly with him and has had different contacts with him at social gatherings in Washington since that time. He stated that the applicant recently visited him at the Naval Academy on a social visit.

Admiral HILL advised that the applicant has expressed himself as being an ardent anti-Communist, and has made a speech before a Midshipmen class expressing these views.

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Admiral HILL knows of no reason to question applicant's loyalty to the United States, and stated that he has always found him to be honest, forthright, sincere, and a person of excellent character and reputation. Admiral HILL was not well acquainted with applicant's wife, having met her only on one or two occasions. He feels applicant is capable and can be trusted with handling highly confidential Government information.

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ADMINISTRATIVE PAGE

During the interview with Admiral HILL, he advised that he often consults the applicant when he is looking for teaching personnel for the U.S. Naval Academy, and that KENT has recommended different people for employment at the Naval Academy. Should sufficient derogatory information of a loyalty nature be developed during the course of this investigation, the Bureau may desire through its liaison to acquaint Admiral HILL with those facts.



NEW HAVEN, CONN.

DEC. 14, 1950

SAC, WASHINGTON FIELD

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REPORT MADE AT LOS ANGELES	DATE WHEN MADE 12/16/50	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 12/11, 16/50	REPORT MADE BY REX ELLIS	MCR
TITLE SHERMAN KENT, aka "Sherm", "Shermo", "Buffalo".			CHARACTER OF CASE APPLICANT CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY	
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:</p> <p>Headmaster at Thatcher School, Ojai, California, verified applicant's attendance from 1919 - 1922. Has known personally since 1939 at Yale. Considers him excellent as to character, reputation, reliability, loyalty and patriotism. No relatives are known to reside abroad nor to be subject to foreign connections. Credit and criminal check reflected no record.</p> <p>-RUC-</p> <p>AGENCY/118-1365-2 REQ. NO. 2-12-55 RET. NO. 2-18-55 BY: [signature]</p>				
<p>REFERENCE:</p> <p>Bureau file 118-8710. Bureau letter to Washington Field, 12/4/50. Bureau letter to Washington Field, 12/8/50.</p>				
<p>DETAILS:</p> <p>Investigation at Ojai and Ventura, California was conducted by SA WAYNE Y. POND.</p>				
<p><u>Education</u></p> <p>Mr. NEWTON CHASE, Headmaster, Thatcher School, Ojai, California, advised that records reflect that applicant attended from September 19, 1919 until June 22, 1922. His birthdate on his records was shown as December 1, 1903, Chicago, Illinois. He was an average student and active in extra curricular activities. He advised that applicant's mother was a sister of the founder of this school and applicant was a trustee of the school from approximately 1937-1941. The records show that applicant was highly regarded because</p>				
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of his enthusiasm and abilities.

Mr. CHASE advised that he has known applicant personally since 1939 when he was at Yale University. He advised also that applicant was instrumental in helping him obtain this position at Thatcher School. He advised that applicant is excellent as to character, reputation, reliability, loyalty and patriotism. He advised that applicant is exemplary and outstanding in all respects. He advised that he does not know of any relatives of the applicant who reside abroad nor has he ever heard of any foreign connections.

Credit and Criminal

Mr. CHARLES ROBINSON, Chief of Police, and Mr. ERIC CUMMINGS, Constable, Ojai, California, advised that they did not have any record of the applicant. No record of the applicant was located at the Ventura County Sheriff's Office, Ventura, California.

Mr. W. J. BIEHL, Ventura Credit Bureau, advised he had no record of applicant.

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REPORT MADE AT <b>NEW HAVEN, CONN.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>12/16/50</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>12/6,12,14,15/50</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>RAY V. SHOEMAKER</b>
TITLE <b>SHERMAN KENT aka "Sherm", "Shermo", "Buffalo"</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>APPLICANT CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY</b>

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Applicant entered Yale University Sept. 1922; PhB degree Yale 1926; PhD degree Yale 1933; Instructor and Assistant Professor of History 1933-41; Leave of Absence 1941-47. Applicant Chairman of the Faculty Committee of Yale Collection of War Literature 1941. All persons contacted advised favorably concerning applicant's character, reputation, associates and loyalty. No credit or criminal record.

-RUC-

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REP'T *[initials]*  
BY *[initials]*

REFERENCE: Bulet to Washington Field dated 12/4/50.  
New Haven teletype to Washington Field dated 12/14/50.

## DETAILS:

### EDUCATION AND BACKGROUND

H. B. FISHER, Liaison Officer, Yale University advised Yale records reflect applicant entered that school in Sept. 1922 and received a PhB degree Yale Commencement 1926. He entered the Yale Graduate School 1930 and received a PhD degree Yale Commencement 1933. Applicant was appointed an Instructor in History in 1933 and was on Leave of Absence academic year 1933-34. Records further reflect applicant was on active duty at Yale as Instructor and later as Assistant Professor of History from 1935 to 1941. He was given Leave of Absence from the latter part of 1941 until Jan. 1947. Applicant returned to Yale as a full Professor Jan. 1947 until Nov. 1950. S. F. BEMIS, Professor of Diplomatic History and Inter-American Relations advised very favorably regarding applicant's character, reputation and associations.

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EMPLOYMENT

Miss M. H. BRADLEY, Secretary's Office, Yale University, advised JOHN M. ALLISON under whose supervision the applicant was employed from 1935-41 died in April, 1944.

WILLIAM H. DUNHAM, Professor of History, Yale University, advised the applicant was employed as a Professor under his supervision from 1947 until 1950. DUNHAM stated he has known the applicant since 1926 and considers him to be of the highest type in regard to character, reputation, ability, associates and loyalty.

REFERENCES

A. WHITNEY GRISWOLD, President of the University, advised he has known the applicant for about 20 years and that he is of excellent character, enjoys the best associates and is definitely loyal to the U.S. Mr. GRISWOLD advised the applicant's employment at Yale has always been highly satisfactory and at the outbreak of the war he was named Chairman of the Faculty Committee of the Yale Collection of War Literature.

SOCIAL ACQUAINTANCES

The following persons advised very favorably concerning the applicant's character, reputation, associates and loyalty to the U.S.

S. B. HEMINGWAY, Professor of English and Master of Berkeley College, Yale University has known applicant since 1926.

MORRIS TYLER, Accountant, Trust Company Building, New Haven, Conn. has known applicant 25 years.

NEIGHBORHOOD

The following persons advised the applicant is of excellent character and reputation, enjoys good associates, has always been considerate and an excellent neighbor in the community and is definitely loyal to the U.S.

JAMES VALENTI, 199 Livingston St.; Rev. GEORGE DAHL, 207 Livingston St.; Dr. LUTHER MUSSELMAN, 190 Livingston St.; DAVID LEES, 309 Saint Roman St.

Records of Yale University reflected the applicant resided at 204 Prospect St., New Haven from 1938 to 1941. Instant address is a Yale owned house, and the writer was unable to locate anyone in the vicinity who resided there during the applicant's tenancy.

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CREDIT AND CRIMINAL

Records of the New Haven Credit Bureau and the New Haven Police Department reflected no information identifiable with the applicant.

The following investigation was conducted by SPECIAL AGENT RICHARD P. HORAN at Hartford, Connecticut:

SOCIAL ACQUAINTANCE

ARTHUR L. SHIPMAN, JR., Attorney Shipman and Goodman, 15 Lewis St., Hartford, advised he formerly roomed with the applicant at Yale University and that he has known the applicant socially for the past 23 years. SHIPMAN stated that KENT is a person of high intellect, excellent character and reputation, and thoroughly loyal to the U.S. He advised that he would recommend the applicant without hesitation for any position of high trust.

CRIMINAL

Records of the Conn. State Police, Hartford, Conn. reflected no information identifiable with the applicant.

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REPORT MADE AT SAN FRANCISCO	DATE WHEN MADE 12/16/50	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 12/7,11,12,13/50	REPORT MADE BY WAYNE H. WEBB afh
TITLE SHERMAN KENT, aka "Sherrn", "Shermo", "Buffalo"			CHARACTER OF CASE APPLICANT - CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY
<p><b>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:</b> References and acquaintances recommend SHERMAN KENT and his immediate family in all respects. No unfavorable credit or criminal record concerning SHERMAN KENT or any members of his family. Sister ADALINE KENT HOWARD subscriber to "Daily Peoples World" newspaper in 1942.</p> <p><i>concord</i> <i>71</i> <i>12/16/50</i> <i>12/18/50</i> <i>12/19/50</i> <i>12/20/50</i> <i>12/21/50</i> <i>12/22/50</i> <i>12/23/50</i> <i>12/24/50</i> <i>12/25/50</i> <i>12/26/50</i> <i>12/27/50</i> <i>12/28/50</i> <i>12/29/50</i> <i>12/30/50</i> <i>12/31/50</i> <i>1/1/51</i> <i>1/2/51</i> <i>1/3/51</i> <i>1/4/51</i> <i>1/5/51</i> <i>1/6/51</i> <i>1/7/51</i> <i>1/8/51</i> <i>1/9/51</i> <i>1/10/51</i> <i>1/11/51</i> <i>1/12/51</i> <i>1/13/51</i> <i>1/14/51</i> <i>1/15/51</i> <i>1/16/51</i> <i>1/17/51</i> <i>1/18/51</i> <i>1/19/51</i> <i>1/20/51</i> <i>1/21/51</i> <i>1/22/51</i> <i>1/23/51</i> <i>1/24/51</i> <i>1/25/51</i> <i>1/26/51</i> <i>1/27/51</i> <i>1/28/51</i> <i>1/29/51</i> <i>1/30/51</i> <i>1/31/51</i> <i>2/1/51</i> <i>2/2/51</i> <i>2/3/51</i> <i>2/4/51</i> <i>2/5/51</i> <i>2/6/51</i> <i>2/7/51</i> <i>2/8/51</i> <i>2/9/51</i> <i>2/10/51</i> <i>2/11/51</i> <i>2/12/51</i> <i>2/13/51</i> 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<p><b>DETAILS:</b></p> <p>Mr. PHELPS S. HUNTER, Investment Counselor, Russ Building, San Francisco, California, a reference, stated that he had known SHERMAN KENT since about 1921. He stated that he met him at the <u>Thatcher</u> School and that he had been a close acquaintance of SHERMAN KENT and the rest of his family since that time. He stated that at present he handles investments for SHERMAN KENT. HUNTER advised that he had a high personal regard for SHERMAN KENT and considered him to be highly reputable, honest, conscientious, and ambitious. He stated that he was certain of SHERMAN KENT's sincere loyalty to the United States, and stated he could not possibly imagine KENT having allegiance to any subversive group or any group which owes allegiance to any foreign government. He stated that he could unqualifiedly recommend KENT for a position involving trust and confidence, and that he was certain that KENT's well developed sense of discretion and good judgment would prevent his ever disclosing any unauthorized information.</p> <p>In regard to KENT's immediate relatives, Mr. HUNTER stated that they were all well regarded people of substance who were of good character. He stated that he had never heard of anything concerning any member of the family which would in any way reflect unfavorably upon his loyalty to the United States.</p> <p><i>THATCHER</i></p>			
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In regard to SHERMAN KENT's wife, Mr. PHELPS HUNTER stated that he believes that she is loyal to the United States and that he had never heard anything concerning her which would cause him to have any doubts concerning her character or loyalty to the United States.

Mr. JAMES ORR, College Park, Larkspur, California, stated that he is the manager of the real estate subdivision known as "Kent Woodlands" which was created out of the estate of WILLIAM KENT, the father of SHERMAN KENT. He stated that in such capacity he has been closely associated with the KENT family for the past ten years. He stated that SHERMAN KENT is the owner of a summer home on Orchard Way, Kentfield, and that he has frequently occupied this summer home during his vacations. He stated that the entire KENT family had grown up in good surroundings which would assure their good character. He stated that the entire KENT family had been active in community and civic affairs and had made numerous contributions to the welfare of the locality in which they lived. He stated that he would judge that SHERMAN KENT and the remainder of his family were all loyal to the United States and that he felt that he could recommend SHERMAN KENT for a position of trust and confidence.

Mr. HOWARD HOYT, Orchard Way, Kentfield, California, stated that he resided in the house which adjoins the summer home of SHERMAN KENT. He stated that he had been acquainted with SHERMAN KENT and other members of the KENT family for the past nine years. He stated that he would have no hesitancy in recommending SHERMAN KENT for a position in which he would have access to secret and confidential information. He stated that his good character, his background, and his innate honesty were such that he would always conscientiously pursue the job assigned to him. Mr. HOYT stated that there were no other persons who resided in the immediate vicinity of SHERMAN KENT's summer home other than members of his family.

Mr. CHARLES GETTELY, manager, Marin County Credit Bureau, San Rafael, California, stated that the entire KENT family has played a prominent part in the civic and community development of Marin County, California. He stated that consequently the entire KENT family was well regarded in that locality. He stated that nothing had ever come to his attention which would in any way reflect unfavorably on the character or loyalty of any member of the KENT family.

San Francisco T-1, of known reliability, would not furnish a signed statement or consent to appear before a loyalty hearing board, but stated that in June 1942, ADALINE KENT HOWARD of 523 Francisco Street, San Francisco, was a subscriber to the "Daily Peoples World" newspaper.



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The Joint Fact-Finding Committee on Un-American Activities in California, Senator JACK B. TENNEY, Chairman, in its Third Report, 1947, cited the "Daily Peoples World" as a Communist newspaper.

The Communist Party, U.S.A., has been declared by the Attorney General to be within the purview of Executive Order 9835.

Mr. PHELPS S. HUNTER, mentioned above, stated that ADALINE KENT, the sister of the applicant, maintained an art studio at 523 Francisco Street, San Francisco. He further stated that SHERMAN KENT and his sister, ADALINE, are not closely associated inasmuch as SHERMAN KENT has spent the major part of his time since the 1920's away from the San Francisco area.

CREDIT AND CRIMINAL

No information reflecting unfavorably on SHERMAN KENT's family or the applicant himself could be located in records of the following agencies:

San Francisco Police Department.  
Marin County Sheriff's Office.  
Marin County Credit Bureau.  
San Francisco Retailers Credit Association.

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A highly confidential source contained in the report of SA JOHN RAY BERRYHILL dated 10/16/45 at San Francisco entitled "JAFRC, IS-C" furnished the following information:

In February 1945 the JAFRC was conducting a campaign to raise funds for the relief of exiled Spanish Republicans in France. In furtherance of this campaign, a document was drawn up entitled "Campaign Plans, Spanish Refugee Appeal". The name of ADALINE KENT, an artist whose husband was ROBERT HOWARD, was included in this document. There were also included in this document the names of numerous prominent San Franciscans and there was no indication that ADALINE KENT or her husband ever contributed to the Spanish Refugee Appeal.

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The following information is set forth in the report of SA ROBERT WALLACE FISHER dated January 26, 1945, at San Francisco entitled "HAAKON MAURICE CHEVALIER, IS-R". During a surveillance conducted of CHEVALIER it was ascertained that CHEVALIER, his wife, and approximately fourteen others whose identities are unknown on November 5, 1944, gathered at the studio of ADALINE KENT at 523 Francisco Street from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. The significance of this meeting was not established.

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Concerning CHEVALIER, Mr. LOUIS BUDENZ advised the New York office that CHEVALIER was known to him as a member of the Communist Party. In 1946 CHEVALIER admitted to Agents of this office that he had attempted to secure secret U. S. Government information at the request of an individual who told CHEVALIER that such information was to be furnished to representatives of a foreign government, namely, the U.S.S.R.

Investigation at the San Francisco Police Department and San Francisco Retailers Credit Association was conducted by Special Employee V. H. LAMERS.

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TITLE <b>SHERMAN KENT</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>APPLICANT - CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

GEORGE KENNAN, Princeton, N.J. recommends SHERMAN KENT very highly for loyalty, character, reputation and associations.

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**REFERENCE:**

Bureau letters to Washington Field 12/4/50 and 12/8/50.

**DETAILS:**

**SOCIAL ACQUAINTANCE**

GEORGE KENNAN, Counsellor of the United States Department of State on leave to study at the Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton, New Jersey, stated that in the fall of 1946 he was in charge of certain phases of instruction in the National War College at Washington, D.C. and that SHERMAN KENT was one of the instructors there under his supervision. Mr. KENNAN stated he was in close, almost daily, association with KENT during a period of approximately three months, and he would recommend KENT highly for loyalty, character, reputation and associations. Mr. KENNAN stated that his acquaintance with KENT'S wife was hardly sufficient to provide the basis for a definite recommendation, but he understood she was of the same high type.

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CHARACTER OF CASE:

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DEADLINE DATE:

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TITLE <b>SHERMAN KENT, aka "Sherm", "Shermo", "Buffalo"</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>APPLICANT - CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

SHERMAN KENT was awarded a writing fellowship by the John Simon Guggenheim Foundation, NYC. JAMES F. MATHIAS, Associate Secretary of Foundation, advised that KENT and his wife are persons of excellent moral character, of good associations, and of assured loyalty to the US. KENT is author of "How Effective Is Our Intelligence?", an article in the magazine "The Reporter".

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**REFERENCE:**

Bureau file 118-8710.  
Bureau letter to Washington Field, 12/4/50.

**DETAILS:**

At New York, New York

Mr. JAMES F. MATHIAS, Associate Secretary, John Simon Guggenheim Foundation, 551 Fifth Avenue, advised that his records reflected that SHERMAN KENT was awarded a writing fellowship by the Foundation in the first part of 1947. Mr. MATHIAS added that, as a result of this fellowship, KENT wrote the book entitled "Strategic Intelligence", which was published by the Princeton Press in 1948. Mr. MATHIAS advised that the theme of this book

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is an attempt to analyze the various military branches of intelligence of the United States, with suggestions as to the manner in which best to improve the activities of these agencies.

Mr. MATHIAS advised that he is personally acquainted with KENT and his wife, and that, to the best of his knowledge, they are patriotic and loyal citizens of the United States, whose moral character, as far as he knows, is unimpeachable. He added that, as far as he knows, they are not members of any groups, whose interests are opposed to the best interests of the United States.

Miss LORA DAVIS, Secretary, "The Reporter", 220 East 42nd Street, advised that SHERMAN KENT is the author of an article entitled "How Effective Is Our Intelligence?"; which appeared in the issue dated September 12, 1950. Miss DAVIS advised that she is not personally acquainted with KENT and that the article was accepted for publication by the magazine, which received the manuscript by mail from KENT.

The writer of this report perused the pertinent article, and found it to be an analysis of the various branches of military intelligence of the United States, with suggestions as to how these branches might be improved upon. The article contained no information of any political significance.

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Attention is drawn to the fact that SHERMAN KENT is mentioned several times in the "NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER " case.

But, in view of the known specific nature of these references, and because of the fact that the Washington Field Office is the Office of origin in the referenced case, this information is being placed on the Administrative Page, rather than in the details of the report.

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SUBJECT: Director, FBI

SAC, New York

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To: Director  
 Central Intelligence Agency  
 2210 E Street, N. W.  
 Washington, D. C.

Attention: Colonel Sheffield Edwards

From: John Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: **SPERMAN KENT**  
**CIA # P-728**

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MR. A. H. BELMONT

March 8, 1957

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**ALLEGATIONS OF GENERAL ARTHUR S. TRUDEAU  
RE INFILTRATION OF FABIAN SOCIALISTS INTO HIGH  
POLICY-MAKING AREAS OF THE UNITED STATES  
GOVERNMENT  
INTERNAL SECURITY - C**

**SYNOPSIS:**

Reference is made to allegations of General Arthur S. Trudeau, former Assistant Chief of Staff, U. S. Army, and former G-2 (Army Intelligence) chief, concerning possible infiltration of Fabian socialists and communists into high policy-making areas of Government service. This matter has required very detailed and extensive file review on names submitted by General Trudeau. As there was no urgency, this has been done from time to time by the Central Research Section, other work permitting. Background on Fabian socialism and General Trudeau's feud with Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) set forth.

**The Results**

1. Over 5,500 references were reviewed in Bureau files on 122 names listed on charts and memoranda left with the Bureau by General Trudeau.
2. Three names were not identified in Bureau files, making a total of 119 names which were identified.
3. Identifiable derogatory information was found on 105 of the 119 individuals identified and is set forth in enclosure under separate captions.
4. Of the 105 individuals on whom identifiable derogatory information was found, 94 have been investigated by the Bureau under classifications of Atomic Energy Act, Voice of America, Loyalty of Government Employees, Security of Government Employees, CIA-Applicant, Special Inquiry-White House, Security Matter-C, Internal Security-R, and others. Results of investigations have been disseminated.

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5. Proper dissemination has been made of identifiable derogatory information on the remaining individuals not investigated.
6. Cases are pending on three subjects not now in Government employment. Cases on other individuals have been closed.
7. No attempt was made to verify present number of individuals still in Government because of the Director's instructions to remain out of G-2 and CIA feud. It was correctly assumed that inquiry would have aroused curiosity and questions in high policy-making Government circles.

**Conclusions**

1. FBI files do not contain any specific, concrete, and conclusive proof that the subjects are Fabian socialists as charged by General Trudeau.
2. FBI files do not contain any similar conclusive proof that these subjects have been and, in some instances, are influencing Government policy along Fabian socialist lines as charged by General Trudeau.
3. FBI files do show, however, that a considerable amount of "smoke" surrounds these subjects in that many have been charged by associates and acquaintances with the following:
  - a. Describing Chinese communists as being harmless "agrarian reformers" when they should have known that they were actually communists
  - b. Suppressing information unfavorable to communists and communism
  - c. Issuing slanted reports favoring communism
  - d. Minimizing the threat of Soviet Russia to peace and democracy
  - e. Manifesting thinking which coincides with socialist thinking in different instances



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f. Lacking, from a loyalty standpoint, in qualifications desired  
in strategic or sensitive Government positions

4. Others have been named by Louis Budenz, former official of  
the Communist Party, USA, as being communist or under  
communist discipline.

To sum up: While the evidence is not present to prove the validity  
of General Trudeau's charges, it must be admitted that the persons singled  
out by General Trudeau do not, in the main, have altogether clean, sound,  
and unquestionable security backgrounds. However, the FBI has investigated  
94 of the 105 subjects on whom there is derogatory information. Proper  
dissemination of available derogatory information has also been made on  
those persons not investigated. Therefore, there appears to be no more  
to do at this time.

It is interesting to note that this study does show the FBI was already  
aware of these subjects and had information on them long before General Trudeau  
submitted their names.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS:

(1) That no dissemination be made of allegations by General Trudeau  
in accordance with Director's indication that Bureau should not in any way  
become involved in the dispute between G-2 and CIA.

(2) That no dissemination be made of information set forth in  
enclosure under individual captions inasmuch as information of a derogatory nature  
in Bureau files has received proper dissemination.

(3) That no new cases be opened on individuals named by General  
Trudeau since charges do not constitute sufficient basis for opening new  
investigations.

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(4) That this cover memorandum and enclosure containing information be filed in 100-420468, the file for material furnished by General Trudeau.

(5) That a copy of this cover memorandum be placed in case file of subjects, along with a copy of the summary of information on each particular individual.

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DETAILS:

General Trudeau Material

General Trudeau furnished the Director with charts and memoranda purporting to substantiate charges that certain individuals in and out of Government were influencing the United States to take a soft policy against Soviet Russia and world communism. General Trudeau furnished the names of individuals, some allegedly with Fabian socialist leanings and possibly some with communist leanings, who, he stated, had penetrated certain policy-forming organs of our Government, including State Department, CIA, Operations Coordinating Board, Planning Control Group, and Planning Board, as well as academic research units at Harvard, Princeton, and Johns Hopkins Universities, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and the Ford and Rockefeller Foundations which do research work for the Government.

Trudeau material furnished last names only on majority of individuals. Later, Colonel Earle L. Lerette, G-2, furnished limited additional identifying data.

Bureau files reflect that Colonel Lerette and a Lieutenant Colonel Phillip J. Corso, Operations Coordinating Board, associates of General Trudeau, disseminated information regarding Fabian socialist charges outside the Executive Branch and that G-2 did not handle the matter of Fabian socialists in a secure and prudent manner. (62-9798; 100-420468-5, 10, 11) As a result, Colonel Lerette was accused by CIA of releasing false and derogatory information about that agency.

Fabian Socialism

Fabian socialism had its origin with the Fabian Society in England in 1884, largely as the result of influence and teaching of an American, Professor Thomas Davidson. The end of Fabian socialism is the elimination of private ownership as an exclusive means of production and the substitution of state or social ownership of the means of production; hence, socialism. The name Fabian was derived from a Roman general, Quintus Fabius Maximus Verrucosus, who became famous by his military tactics of avoiding direct battles, resorting to deliberate procrastination, and using delaying procedures

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during his defense of Rome against the attacks of Hannibal. The aim of Fabian socialism is to permeate every segment of society with socialistic ideas, words, attitudes, tendencies, and modes of thinking in order to gradually lay the foundation of a slow, steady, peaceful transformation of the social order from capitalism to socialism. The tactics of Fabian socialism include concessions, compromises, advances, avoidance of conflict, all of which are to be made with great patience.

CIA - G-2 Feud

General Trudeau was relieved in August, 1955, of his duties as Assistant Chief of Staff, U. S. Army, and as head of Army G-2, and was transferred to the Far East Command. General Trudeau's removal stemmed from charges by Allen Dulles, Director of CIA, who claimed that General Trudeau's dealings with top West German officials, including Dr. Heinz L. Krekler, West German Ambassador to the United States, and Chancellor Konrad Adenauer, during the latter's visit to the United States in 1955, were prejudicial to United States intelligence efforts. General Trudeau was reportedly critical to Ambassador Krekler and Chancellor Adenauer regarding the West German intelligence organization headed by General Reinhard von Gehlen which had been subsidized by CIA.

James Angleton, CIA, confidentially advised the Bureau on August 1, 1955, that CIA had evidence that General Trudeau, in his visits with Ambassador Krekler and Chancellor Adenauer, had violated the CIA and G-2 agreement on foreign espionage and counterespionage activities, and that CIA had protested to the White House.

General Trudeau advised the Bureau on August 8, 1955, that in his visits with Ambassador Krekler and Chancellor Adenauer he had discussed nothing of an intelligence nature not already known. He admitted being at odds with CIA and stated that he believed CIA was attempting to gain complete control of the foreign intelligence field. He stated that if CIA accomplished its purpose, the military intelligence services might as well go out of business. (62-9798-2653, 2657, 2661, 2674, 2680)

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According to an article by John O'Donnell, newspaper columnist, in the New York Daily News, September 2, 1955, page 2, General Trudeau was "fired" by President Eisenhower at the personal request of Allen Dulles, Director of CIA. According to O'Donnell, Dulles complained that Trudeau had talked with Chancellor Adenauer, without notifying CIA, in order to lessen Adenauer's confidence in the "CIA-bankrolled setup" in Germany operated by Reinhard Gehlen.

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5. Proper dissemination has been made of identifiable derogatory information on the remaining individuals not investigated.

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It is to be noted that Bureau files do not contain a record of day-to-day decisions of these individuals and do not set forth the part which they have played in policies formulated. There is no information in individual files regarding the decisions which General Trudeau has stated were influenced by individuals named.

3. Derogatory information is set forth in enclosure regarding individuals who appear to be identical with names on General Trudeau's list. Some reportedly regarded the Chinese communists as "agrarian reformers." Several reportedly suppressed information unfavorable to communist activities in Europe during and after World War II while serving in Office of Strategic Services (OSS) and G-2. Others reportedly minimized the Soviet threat or slanted reports in State Department. Several identified by Whittaker Chambers

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and Elizabeth T. Bentley, former self-admitted Soviet espionage agents, as participants in espionage activities in Washington, D. C., and New York, New York, in the mid 1930's and early 1940's. Several have been critical of the Bureau. Several alleged to be socialists; others "leftist" and "procommunist." Several reported as members, in the past, of organizations cited by the Attorney General under Executive Order 10450. Allegations generally name many individuals as questionable for strategic or sensitive Government employment.

4. Several were named by Louis Budenz, former Communist Party, USA, official, as being communists or under communist discipline.

Some of the sources of information used in the enclosure were closely associated with the individuals named and requested that their identities be concealed. Others expressed a willingness or unwillingness to testify in loyalty or court proceedings against individuals named. In order to indicate the desires of the source an (a) was placed after the names of sources who requested that their identities be concealed. A (b) was placed after the sources's name when he was willing to testify. A (c) was used to indicate source not willing to testify.

Information set forth in the enclosure from Bureau Source 5 should not be disseminated outside the Bureau.

The following eight individuals, who appear to be identical with names furnished by General Trudeau, have been investigated by the Bureau with no identifiable derogatory information developed. Results of investigations have been disseminated.

1.   
Central Intelligence Group-Applciant, 1947
2.   
Central Intelligence Agency-Applciant, 1951  
Atomic Energy Act-Applciant, 1952
3.   
Central Intelligence Agency-Applciant, 1949

b3 per CIA

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4. William Roscoe Kintner  
Atomic Energy Act-Applicant, 1954
5. Franklin Anthony Lindsay  
European Recovery Program, 1947  
Special Inquiry, 1955
6. Ludwell Lee Montague  
Atomic Energy Act-Applicant, 1951
7.   
Central Intelligence Agency-Applicant, 1949
8. William Clyde Trueheart  
Atomic Energy Act-Applicant, 1947

b3 per CIA

The following six individuals, who appear to be identical with names furnished by General Trudeau have not been investigated by the Bureau. No identifiable derogatory information was found in Bureau files on these individuals.

1. Bainbridge Cowell Davis
2. Richard T. Ewing
3. John Morgan McSweeney
4. George Norman Monsma
5. David Lawrence Osborn
6. Theodore Allen Wertime

It was not possible to identify the following three names furnished by General Trudeau. No first names were given.

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The enclosure contains an Appendix setting forth the organizations and publications which have been designated by the Attorney General pursuant to Executive Order 10450 or cited by congressional or state committees. The names of pertinent organizations and publications in the summaries have been marked by asterisks for citation in the Appendix.

It is interesting to note that this study does show the FBI was already aware of these subjects and had information on them long before General Trudeau submitted their names in connection with his charges of Fabian socialist infiltration into high policy-making areas of the Government.

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**SUMMARIES OF PERTINENT INFORMATION**  
**ON INDIVIDUALS NAMED IN GENERAL**  
**TRUDEAU'S ALLEGATIONS RE FABIAN**  
**SOCIALIST INFILTRATION OF HIGH**  
**POLICY-MAKING AREAS OF UNITED STATES**  
**GOVERNMENT**

**March 8, 1957**

## SHERMAN KENT

Sherman Kent appears to be identical with the Kent listed in material furnished by General Trudeau as "Slants National Intelligence Estimates (NIE) which distortions find their way into NSC's." (100-420453-1)

### Background

Kent was born on December 1, 1903, in Chicago, Illinois. He was graduated from Yale University with a Ph. B. degree in 1926. In 1933, he received a Ph.D. from the same university and taught there until 1941. From 1941 to 1945, Kent served with the Office of Coordinator of Information and with the Office of Strategic Services (OSS). In 1945 and 1947, he was an instructor at the National War College, Washington, D. C., and from 1947 to 1950 was professor of history at Yale University. Kent has been with Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) since 1950, becoming Assistant Director in January, 1952. (118-3710-1)

### Unfavorable Information

A highly confidential investigative technique advised that Sherman Kent was associated with Maurice Halperin in the earliest part of 1946. Informant stated that Kent and Halperin had discussed State Department policies but could not furnish information as to the degree of relationship between the two. (118-3710-11)

Elizabeth T. Bentley, former self-admitted Soviet espionage agent, testified before the House Committee on Un-American Activities in 1948 that Maurice Halperin, who was employed by OSS and the State Department, had cooperated in obtaining information from files of the Government for the use of Russian agents. Bentley advised that Halperin was a communist from whom she collected Party dues. (118-3710-11)

Kent was the author of a book entitled Strategic Intelligence for American World Policy written in 1947 while Kent was temporarily employed by the Guggenheim Foundation, New York, N. Y. In this book, Kent states that the FBI enjoys a noteworthy position among intelligence organizations. He stated "If I read the lines closely, CIA has no right of inspection in the FBI. When it wants information which it feels may be possessed by the FBI, CIA must ask for it in writing. In the best of circumstances this procedure constitutes a barrier between two organizations and in circumstances other than the best, it can become an impenetrable wall."

A highly confidential investigative technique advised in June, 1942, that Adaline Kent Howard, 523 Francisco Street, San Francisco, California, was a subscriber to the Daily People's World, west coast communist newspaper.

(118-8710-7)

Phelps S. Hunter, investment counselor of San Francisco, a reference of Kent, stated that Adaline Kent, sister of Sherman Kent, was not closely associated with Kent since he has spent most of his time following the 1920's away from the San Francisco area. (118-8710-7)

#### Favorable Information

Professional associates, acquaintances, and neighbors have stated that Kent is a loyal American citizen. (118-8710-4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11)

#### Other Information

Kent was investigated by the Bureau in 1950 under CIA-Applicant. Results disseminated.

APPENDIX

ORGANIZATIONS AND PUBLICATIONS MENTIONED IN TEXT WHICH HAVE BEEN DESIGNATED BY THE ATTORNEY GENERAL PURSUANT TO EXECUTIVE ORDER 10450 OR CITED BY CONGRESSIONAL OR STATE COMMITTEES

The names of organizations and publications in the summaries which were marked by asterisk for citation in the Appendix are listed below.

Those organizations or publications cited by congressional or state committees are listed in the Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications prepared and released by the Committee on Un-American Activities, U. S. House of Representatives, Washington, D. C., January 2, 1957. Those cited only by the committees have been identified in the following list by the page number on which the citations appear in the Guide.

Those designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450 have been identified with the notation (Executive Order 10450).

Abraham Lincoln Brigade (Executive Order 10450)

Amerasia (Guide, p. 99)

American Committee for Democracy and Intellectual Freedom (Guide, p. 7)

American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born (Executive Order 10450)

American Friends of Spanish Democracy (Guide, p. 10)

American Friends of the Chinese People (Guide, p. 10)

American League Against War and Fascism (Executive Order 10450)

American League for Peace and Democracy (Executive Order 10450)

American Labor Party (Guide, p. 11)

American Peace Mobilization (Executive Order 10450)

American Russian Institute (Executive Order 10450)

American Slav Congress (Executive Order 10450)

American Student Union (Guide, p. 18)

American Youth for a Free World (Guide, p. 19)

American Youth for Democracy (Executive Order 10450)

China Aid Council (Guide, p. 24)

China Today (Guide, p. 99)

Civil Rights Congress (Executive Order 10450)

Civil Rights Federation (Guide, pp. 26, 56)

Committee for a Democratic Far Eastern Policy (Executive Order 10450)

Committee for the Care of Young Children in Wartime (Fourth Report Un-American Activities in California, 1948, Communist Front Organizations, Report of Joint Fact-Finding Committee to the 1948 Regular California Legislature, Sacramento, 1948, p. 168)

Committee of One Thousand (Guide, p. 118)

Committee to Defend America by Keeping out of War (Guide, p. 29)

Commonwealth College, Mena, Arkansas (Executive Order 10450)

Communist Party, USA (Executive Order 10450)

Communist Political Association (Executive Order 10450)

Congress of American Women (Executive Order 10450)

Consumers Union (Guide, p. 141)

Coordinating Committee to Lift the (Spanish) Embargo (Guide, p. 35)

Independent Citizens Committee of the Arts, Sciences, and Professions (Guide, p. 44)

Industrial Workers of the World (Executive Order 10450)

Institute of Pacific Relations (Guide, p. 45)

International Juridical Association (Guide, p. 46)

International Labor Defense (Executive Order 10450)

Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee (Executive Order 10450)

League of American Writers (Executive Order 10450)

League of Women Shoppers (Guide, p. 53)

Morning Freiheit (Guide, p. 104)

National Council of American-Soviet Friendship (Executive Order 10450)

National Council of the Arts, Sciences, and Professions (Guide, p. 61)

National Emergency Conference for Democratic Rights (Guide, p. 62)

National Federation for Constitutional Liberties (Executive Order 10450)

National Free Browder Congress (Guide, p. 63)

National Lawyers' Guild (Guide, p. 64)

North American Committee to Aid Spanish Democracy (Executive Order 10450)

Open Road (Fourth Report Un-American Activities in California, 1948, Communist Front Organizations, Report of Joint Fact-Finding Committee to the 1948 Regular California Legislature, Sacramento, 1948, pp. 336, 341)

Science and Society (Guide, p. 108)

Socialist Workers Party (Executive Order 10450)

Southern Conference for Human Welfare (Guide, p. 81)

Spanish Refugee Relief Campaign (Guide, p. 81)

United American Spanish Aid Committee (Executive Order 10450)

Washington Bookshop Association (Executive Order 10450)

Washington Committee for Democratic Action (Executive Order 10450)

Washington Friends of Spanish Democracy (Guide, p. 90)

Women's International Democratic Federation (Guide, p. 91)

Young Communist League (Executive Order 10450)